(b) whether the Government have provided ex-gratia payment to the victims;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the payment is likely to be made;

(d) whether the perpetrators were arrested in all the above crimes;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to prevent such crimes; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for increase in crimes?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA) . (a) A assessment is enclosed.

(b) to (g). As 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects, the registration, detection, investigation and preventation of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Govts./UT Administrations. The responsibility of the State Governments, interalia also includes formulation of schemes to curb crimes and to provide appropriate ex-gratia payment to victims. No statiscis on ex-gratia payment and atarrests in individual cases are maintained at Central level. The Central Government, on its part, has been writing, from time to time to the State Govts. to be extra vigilant in the matter of prevention of crimes against SCs/STs and to effectively utilise the specific laws and legal provisions already in force to check crimes against SCs/STs.

STATEMENT

Incidents of crimes committed against SCs/STs in Uttar Pradesh during 1995 and 1996.

Year	Murder	Rape	PCR Act	SCs/ STs (Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1989)
	SCHEDULED CASTES			
1995	296	321	121	8117
1996*	86	114	30	1889
	SCHEDULED TRIBES			
1995	1	1	2	79
1996*	0	1	-	42

* Upto April month only

(Note Figures are based on Monthly Crime Statistics and are Provisional)

[English]

Digital Communications System

52. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government have selected NIIT and Uptron to train about one lakh middle level employees to handle digital communications system, and

(b) if so, the details of the agreement?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA) : (a) the Department of Telecom has awarded Work Orders to M/s NIIT Ltd and M/s Uptron India Ltd. on 6.5.96 to provide 2 weeks training in computers to 42,700 officials eligible for appointment as Senior Telecom Operating Assitants in 4 streams viz. General, Phones, Telegraph General and Telegraphy

(b) No agreement has been signed between the Department and the training institutions However, work orders have been given to them to implement the aforesaid training programme and the salient features of the work order are as follows :

(i) M/s NIIT Ltd. have been given Work Orders to impart training to 21,300 officials of the following Telecom Circles .

Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Madras Telephone District, MTNL Delhi, North East, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamilnadu and Maharashtra

(ii) The Work Order placed on M/s Uptron India Ltd. provides for training to 21,400 officials of the following Telecom circles.

Andhra Pradesh, Calcutta Telephone District, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J & K, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, MTNL Mumbai, U.P. (East) and U.P. (West),

(iii) The training shall be of 2 weeks duration and the training fee @ Rs. 2400/- per trainee is payable to these institutes

(iv) The training shall be provided in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by DoT.

(v) The training shall be conducted at the Contractor's premises and all arrangements for computer hardware, software, class-room, furniture, faculty teaching-aids and course materials shall be made by the contractors.

(vi) The training shall be provided by the contractor at Circle/District/SSA Headquarters either at his existing training centres or by opening new training centres for the purpose.

(vii) The contractor shall make available necessary infrastructure at the new locations of training centres in each Telecom circle/District within 3 months from the date of receipt of intimation from CGMs for opening the training centres.

(viii) The contractors shall provide training course materials to individual trainees for their personal use free of cost.

(ix) The contractors shall complete the training of the target population by 31.03.1997.

[Translation]

Development of Non-Conventional Energy Sources

53 PROF RASA SINGH RAWAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the priorities set up by the new Government for development of Non-Conventional Energy Sources;

(b) whether the Government have conducted any survey to find out the ways to enhance its development;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the quantum of energy likely to be generated as a result thereof;

(d) the details of Non-Conventional Energy Sources in Rajasthan and the names of various companies with whom agreements have been signed for generating energy from these sources and the countries to which these companies belong to; and

(e) the time by which these projects are likely to be made operative and the target fixed for generating power?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR S VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) The new Government is giving high priority to the development and utilisation of non-conventional source of energy. The programmes for harnessing of decentralised energy sources and grid-connected power will be vigorously implemented.

(b) As per recommendations of experts and as a result of interaction in conferences and workshops, schemes for development of various renewable energy systems with a combination of capital subsidies and interest subsidies have been evolved to promote developoment of renewable energy sources. The Government propose to intensify the efforts so that the full potential in various sectors is realised at the earliest.

(c) As a result of the promotional efforts of the Central and State Government, it is expected that about 1400 MW of grid-connected renewable energy capacity will be created by the end of the 8th Plan in addition to large coverage of decentralised energy systems.

(d) and (e). In addition to harnessing of various renewable energy systems, in view of high-level of solar insolation, the Government of Rajasthan invited proposals for setting up of solar energy projects. Based on the applications received, the State Government has issued letters of intent to three companies, namely, Amoco Enron Power Development Corporation of USA, Energen International of Sri Lanka and Sun Source India Ltd. Ahmedabad, India for setting up of solar energy based power projects. The three projects are expected to have an eventual capacity of 50 MW, 200 MW and 50 MW respectively. As per the letter of intent, the first set of systems with a small capacity of 0.25 MW is expected to be commissioned by December, 1996.

[English]

Centrally Sponsored Health Schemes

54 SHRI R.B. RAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of health related schemes sponsored by the Union Government; and

(b) achievements made so far in this regard scheme-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) and (b) The details of major Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented in the States/UTs and achievements made in respect of these schemes are given enclosed as statement.

STATEMENT

Achievements under Major Centrally Sponsored Schemes for the Country During 1995-96

S.No.	Name of the Scheme	1995-96 Achievements
1	2	3
1	**National Malaria Eradication Programme (NMEP)**	
(i)	No. of positive cases detected and treated	2.80 million